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"METHOD FOR PROTECTING A DEVICE AGAINST OPERATION WITH UNALLOWED CONSUMABLES

AND ARRANGEMENT FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION

OF THE METHOD"

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Upon a review of the undersigned counsel's file for this application after it was filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, it was noted that the originally-submitted specification was not dated by one of the inventors, namely Wolfgang Thiel. All of the other inventors dated their respective signatures. A Declaration signed and dated by Wolfgang Thiel is submitted herewith which, in combination with the previously-filed Declaration, satisfies all requirements of 37 CFR §1.63.

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